### PATENT APPLICATION

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Carlo MANGIARINO, et al.

Appln. No.: not yet assigned Attorney Docket Q68067

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Filed: January 29, 2002 Examiner: Not yet assigned

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE LASER WELDING

#### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

### Please enter the following amended claims:

6. (Amended) System according to claim 1, wherein said spatial sector is a spherical crown sector.

Preliminary Amendment Attorney Docket Q68067

### **REMARKS**

The application has been amended to clarify the dependency of claim 6. Entry and consideration of this Amendment and an early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **APPENDIX**

## VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

# **IN THE CLAIMS:**

The claims are amended as follows:

6. (Amended) System according to claim 1, wherein said spatial sector is a spherical crown sector.